

The Honorable Michael K. Powell
Chairman
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

Dear Chairman Powell:

I am writing to urge you NOT to support the pending merger of EchoStar and HUGHES, the parent company of DIRECTV. I believe the merger will reduce the number of options that I have to receive TV and broadband signals.

Already the quality of service that I receive from Direct TV is deteriorating rapidly. Reducing the number of competitors for my business can only result in less service at a higher cost, harming the American consumer.

I appreciate your consideration of my views.

Sincerely,

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